

2/16/99 Errata Sheet for *A Guide to Naturalization*
(Form M-476; Rev 11/98)

The following information corrects errors in the *Guide* that have been brought to our attention, clarifies certain sections, and provides updates to laws, regulations, and procedures. Please use this sheet together with the *Guide* to make sure you have the most accurate information available. We apologize for any confusion.

On page 18 (Table of Naturalization Requirements by Type of Applicant), in the description of the 5th applicant category (If you performed active duty military service), the text should read: “If you: Performed active duty military service in the U.S. Armed Forces. . .” Only applicants who performed active duty military service in the U.S. Armed Forces are eligible to apply under this provision of the law.

On pages 20-21 (Table of Naturalization Requirements by Type of Applicant), for the Physical Presence requirements for the 4th applicant category (If you are employed by an American institution of research, an American-owned firm, or a public international organization . . .), the text should read: “30 months.” The Note should be deleted—applicants in this category must be able to show physical presence in the United States for 30 months.

On pages 20-21 (Table of Naturalization Requirements by Type of Applicant), for the Physical Presence requirements for the 5th applicant category (If you have been employed for 5 years or more by a U.S. nonprofit organization . . .), the text should read: “Not Required.” Applicants in this category are not required to establish a specified period of physical presence.

On page 26 (English and Civics), under the *Disability* section, the text should read: “If you have a physical or developmental disability or a mental impairment, you may be eligible for an exception to the English and civics requirements. To request an exception, you must file a ‘Medical Certification for Disability Exceptions’ (Form N-648) with your application. If you believe you qualify, contact a licensed medical doctor or licensed clinical psychologist who will need to complete and sign your N-648. To apply for a disability exception, your disability: must be permanent (has lasted or is expected to last 1 year); and must not have been caused by illegal use of drugs.”

On pages 28-29: (Attachment to the Constitution; Serve the United States), under the *Selective Service* section, the text should read: “Male applicants generally need to register with the Selective Service before applying for naturalization. If you are male, and lived in the United States (in any status other than as a lawful nonimmigrant) at any time between your 18th and 26th birthdays, you must be registered with the Selective Service System. Males who first entered the United States after they turned 26 years old are exempt from the requirement to register.

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“If you were required to register, you will need to provide your Selective Service number to INS when you apply. You may get your Selective Service number by calling 1-847-688-6888 if you were born after December 31, 1959. If you were born before March 29, 1957, you should call 1-703-605-4047. If you have not registered, you must register at a United States post office or on the Internet to receive a Selective Service number. The Selective Service System Internet site can be reached at www.sss.gov or through the INS Internet site at www.ins.usdoj.gov. You must have a Social Security number to register on the Internet.

“If you were required to register but did not register before you turned 26, you must do the following:

- Call 1-847-688-6888 and complete the Selective Service System’s Questionnaire Form (Males born before March 29, 1957 should call 1-703-605-4047);
- Receive a ‘status information letter’ from the Selective Service; and
- Send the ‘status information letter’ to INS with your application.”

On page 34 (Documents you need to include with your N-400), the last paragraph should read:

“If you did not register with the Selective Service and you 1) are male 2) are 26 years old or older and 3) lived in the United States in a status other than as a lawful nonimmigrant between the ages of 18 and 26, send: ☐ A ‘Status Information Letter’ from the Selective Service (call 1-847-688-6888 for more information).”

On page 35, under section 4. (Send your application, documents, and fee to the appropriate Service Center . . .), the addresses for the California and Nebraska Service Centers should read:

“California Service Center
P.O. Box 10400
Laguna Niguel, CA 92607-0400

Nebraska Service Center
P.O. Box 87400
Lincoln, NE 68501-7400”

On page 47, in the Glossary, under the section on Selective Service, the text should read: “The Selective Service System is the Federal agency responsible for providing manpower to the U.S. Armed Forces in an emergency. Male applicants generally need to register with the Selective Service before applying for naturalization. See Chapter 4 (pp. 28-29) for information on who is required to register, how to register, and what to do if you were required to register but did not, or call the Selective Service at 1-847-688-6888 for more information.”